

United States Department of Agriculture Please Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) and must register in the Online Representations and Certification Application (ORCA). In addition, <u>all Vendors</u> must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

FV-303

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Agricultural Marketing Service Date Issued: December 19, 2005

Frozen Green Beans, Announcement FV-303, Invitation 009

Washington, DC 20250

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen green beans as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to the child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Friday, December 30, 2005. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, January 6, 2006. Deliveries are to be made from February 1, 2006 to April 30, 2006.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Green Beans, Frozen 30-lb carton

43,560 cases

No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

- All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.
- All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.

Note:

Effective August 1, 2005, Contractors are required to submit Annual Representations and Certifications via the Online Representation and Certifications Application (ORCA), a part of Business Partner Network (BPN). The internet address for registering in ORCA is http://orca.bpn.gov. The representations and certifications are effective until one year from the date of submission or update to ORCA. A revised abbreviated appendix 1 dated August 2005 will be required for contractors registering via the ORCA system. A notice to the trade regarding this requirement was issued on June 28, 2005 at http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/cp/tradenotices.htm

However, Contractors who have previously (prior to August 1, 2005) submitted the Appendix 1 for calendar year 2005 will be relieved from the ORCA online registration until the expiration of the Appendix 1.



Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. <u>Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES will be deemed non-responsive.</u> Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes which translates into a connection of https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe. Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-303; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables, dated April 2004; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-303, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk (*).

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV303

INVITATION : 009

COMM GROUP : 39 VEGETABLES, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 50 BEANS, GREEN, FROZEN

PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	st	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)			
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/06 - 02/15/06								
001	ROCKY HILL	CT	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
002	CHICOPEE WILMINGTON		TRUCK ONLY	330 990				
003	NATICK TAUNTON	MA MA						
004	SO HACKENSACK	NJ	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
005	BROOKLYN	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,320		(**)		
006	LINCOLN	RI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
007	LANDOVER LAUREL	MD MD	TRUCK ONLY	660 660				
008		MD MD	TRUCK ONLY	600 720				
009	ALTOONA PHILADELPHIA		TRUCK ONLY					
010	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
011	PHILADELPHIA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
012	SUNBURY WILKES-BARRE	PA PA	TRUCK ONLY					
013	SUNBURY	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
014	AMERICUS COLLEGE PARK DOUGLAS	GA GA GA	TRUCK ONLY	365 497 458		-		

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DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/06 - 02/15/06								
015	GRANITE CITY	IL		1,320				
016	DETROIT	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
017	ELMIRA	MI	TRUCK ONLY	2,640				
018	HARTFORD	MI		1,320	· <u>· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · </u>			
019	NEWPORT	MN		1,320				
020	DARIEN EAU CLAIRE	WI		772 548				
021	PICO RIVERA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
022	LAS VEGAS	NV	TRUCK ONLY	3,960				
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/16/06 - 02/28/06								
023	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
024	BERKELEY	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/06 - 03/15/06								
025	ROCKY HILL	CT	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
026	LINCOLN	RI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				

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DELI	VERY PERIOD	03/16/0	6 - 03/31/06			
027	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320		
028	SUNBURY	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320		
DELI	VERY PERIOD					
029	PICO RIVERA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320		
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/16/06 - 04/30/06						
030	LAS VEGAS	NV	TRUCK ONLY	1,320		

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION

43,560

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